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To the HOXNE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN,

In this my Fifth Annual Report to your Council, the figures and statistics given refer to the whole year, from January 1st to December 31st, 1908, inclusive.

In it all rates per 1,000, except the Infant Mortality rate, are based upon the enumerated population found at

the census of 1901, viz., 10,220 for the whole district, which is made up of the two sub-districts, Stradbroke with a population of 5,200, and Dennington with a population of 5,020.

The whole of the district is undulating and varies from about 100 to 200 ft. above ordnance datum, with the exception of a small strip of marshy land along the river Waveney.

The surface geological formation is mainly of the heaviest boulder clay with a few outcrops of gravel of small area.

There are 23 parishes in the district, the area of which (exclusive of area covered by water) is 52,764 acres.

The villages of these parishes are all small and for the most part scattered, so that there is nowhere any tendency to overcrowding of houses on the land.

The occupation of the population of the district is entirely agricultural, and there is only one small factory—(at Syleham).

The house accommodation is for the most part sufficient although cases of overcrowding occur from time to time and are dealt with as they occur. Supervision, as provided by law over the erection of new houses, is exercised by your Council.

There are few sewers in the district for the conveyance of anything beyond surface water, and owing to the thinness of population on area, any public system of sewage disposal is unnecessary.

Excrement is universally disposed of privately, each house or cottage being provided either with a privy or pail closet: the former, owing to the size of the container, are apt to become a nuisance, and where any nuisance arises in connection with these, it would be advisable to enforce the substitution of the pail system.

The water-closet system is seldom met with, and except in the case of better class houses is not to be recommended here. House refuse and excrement is finally disposed of privately on the land.

The water supply of the district is mainly derived from ponds of surface water, many of which leave something to be desired as sources of drinking water.

Last summer was not a particularly dry one, and the water in these ponds kept in rather better condition, and there were few complaints about the water supply.

Where trouble arises over the water supply to separate houses I have recommended that better means of utilizing the rain water from the roof should be adopted.

The rain water so obtained in a country district is safer and purer than that in surface water ponds, and, owing to the depth of the clay and the low rental of the majority of cottages, deep wells are out of the question for the most part.

COMMON LODGING HOUSES.—There are none in the district.

SLAUGHTER HOUSES.—There are six slaughter houses in the district, which I have inspected and found satisfactory. One has had a new floor laid down during

the year. One slaughter house, recently built, is licensed by your Council.

BAKEHOUSES.—There are no underground bakehouses in the district. Six retail bakehouses exist, which I have inspected and found satisfactory.

DAIRIES, COWSHEDS, AND MILKSHOPS.—One farmer at Hoxne is registered by your Council under this Order. His cowsheds have been inspected and found satisfactory. A large number of Farmers in the district keep a few cows, the milk from which is sold in small quantities locally. Owing to the natural conditions under which the cows are kept, they are exceptionally healthy ; no diseases have been traced to the milk supply since I have been your Medical Officer of Health, and tubercular diseases of infants are rare in the district.

FACTORIES.—I have inspected the factory at Syleham and found it satisfactory in every respect. There is only one floor above the ground. A very few hands work on this floor, and there are stairs leading to the ground at each end of the room. Under the circumstances there does not appear to be any risk from fire. There is ample room and ventilation for the workers. A list of out-workers is kept by your Council.

FOODS AND DRUGS ACT.—There has been no need to take any action for infringement of this Act.

OFFENSIVE TRADES.—There is one knacker's yard at Dennington, which is more than 250 yards from the nearest dwelling-house, and cannot well be a nuisance. It is kept in a reasonably clean state.

NUISANCES.—It has not been found necessary to take any legal action for the abatement of nuisances. A systematic house-to-house inspection has been made throughout the district, and the following defects have been remedied during the year :—

- 2 Cases of overcrowding remedied.
- 11 New earth closets built.
- 3 New privies built.
- 18 Privies cleaned and repaired.
- 7 Foul ditches cleaned out.
- 11 Manure heaps removed.
- 6 Houses disinfected.
- 2 Schools disinfected.
- 2 Dilapidated houses pulled down.
- 5 Houses improved.

CLOSURE OF SCHOOLS.—The school at Bedford was closed for three weeks during May, whooping cough being epidemic among the pupils.

Denham school was closed for a fortnight in January and February for the same reason.

At Monk Soham, owing to the prevalence of whooping cough, the school was closed for a month during February and March.

The school at Wilby was also closed for whooping cough for a fortnight during June.

The schools at Stradbroke and Laxfield were also closed during April and May, on the certificates of private practitioners, owing to the prevalence of the same disease.

ZYMOTIC DISEASES.

The seven principal Zymotic diseases of the Registrar General are :—Small pox, measles, scarlet fever, whooping cough, fever (including typhus, typhoid, simple and continued fever), and diarrhœa.

I regret that 16 deaths are certified as due to this class of disease as compared with 3 in 1906 and 8 in 1907. This is the highest number of deaths in one year due to the Zymotic diseases which has been recorded in the district for many years.

This high death rate is almost entirely due to whooping cough. A severe epidemic of this disease commenced in the latter part of last year in the South and West parishes of the district and continued to spread during the early months of this year. The parishes of Bedingfield, Denham, Hoxne, Wingfield, Syleham, Laxfield, Stradbroke, Metfield, and Wilby, were all severely affected, and the disease appeared in many other parishes. Schools were closed in some cases where it was hoped that this might be beneficial, but the results in this disease are not at all encouraging.

Fourteen deaths were certified as due to whooping cough during the year, all in children under 15 months. In Laxfield there were 3 deaths, Stradbroke 2, Wingfield 2, Wilby 2, and one each in Syleham, Hoxne, and Bedingfield.

Measles.—There was an epidemic of this disease in Weybread and Mendham in the early part of the year, one woman, aged 44, dying of the disease in Weybread.

Diarrhœa.—One death was certified as due to this disease in a child under 5 years.

The Zymotic death rate for the whole district for the year is 1·56 as compared with ·29 in 1906, and ·78 in 1907. The average for the last 10 years being ·63.

Table showing the number of deaths from Zymotic diseases, and Zymotic death rate for the whole district since 1895.

Year.	No. of Deaths.		Population.	Rate per 1,000.	
1895	1	.....	11,080	..... 0·09
1896	2	.....	11,461	..... 0·17
1897	4	.....	11,461	..... 0·34
1898	3	.....	11,461	..... 0·26
1899	5	.....	11,461	..... 0·46
1900	3	.....	11,461	..... 0·26
1901	13	.....	10,220	..... 1·27
1902	6	.....	10,220	..... 0·58
1903	2	.....	10,220	..... 0·19
1904	5	.....	10,220	..... 0·48
1905	4	.....	10,220	..... 0·39
1906	3	.....	10,220	..... 0·29
1907	8	.....	10,220	..... 0·78
1908	16	.....	10,220	..... 1·56

INFECTIOUS DISEASES (NOTIFICATION) ACT, 1889.

During the year I have received 10 notifications, as compared with 37 in 1907.

Table showing the number of notifications received since 1893, and the diseases.

Year.	Scarlet Fever.	Peuperal Fever.	Erysipelas.	Enteric Fever.	Continued Fever.	Diphtheria.	Chicken- pox.	Total.
1893	75	2	14	4	1	7	0	103
1894	37	2	13	1	0	6	0	59
1895	3	4	10	4	2	8	0	31
1896	2	1	10	8	2	18	0	41
1897	6	1	12	2	1	17	0	39
1898								
1899	18	0	4	0	0	18	0	40
1900	7	0	1	0	0	1	0	9
1901	2	1	7	0	0	12	0	22
1902	27	0	11	6	0	3	48	95*
1903	13	0	12	6	0	0	0	31
1904	2	0	5	3	0	4	0	14
1905	10	1	3	0	0	4	0	18
1906	67	0	5	2	0	4	0	78
1907	31	0	4	1	0	1	0	37
1908	3	0	4	0	0	3	0	10

* Chicken-pox was only notifiable during the year 1902.

Scarlet Fever.—Two cases were notified from Hoxne in January, the last cases of an epidemic in that parish. One doubtful case was notified from Monk Soham in April, the child did not desquamate and the disease went no further.

Erysipelas.—Four cases were reported during the year.

Diphtheria.—Three cases were notified. One at Badingham in March. No origin could be found for the disease. As milk was sold from the house, the sale of it was stopped until danger of infection was over.

The second case was notified from Hoxne in May, the cause of the disease could not be traced and there were no further cases in the parish.

The third case was also an isolated case at Mendham in a child aged 5. This case died, and is the first fatal case of diphtheria occurring in the district for the last seven years.

No cases were removed to the infections hospital. The building, in which accommodation for this purpose was provided, has been sold, and steps will, I hope, be taken to provide necessary accommodation elsewhere.

MARRIAGE RATE.—There were 68 marriages solemnized in the district during the year, an increase of 13 over last year, and the highest number recorded since 1903.

MARRIAGE RATE TABLE.

Year.	No. of Marriages.	Rate per 1,000.
1902.....	71.....	6·9
1903.....	69.....	6·7
1904.....	60.....	5·8
1905.....	61.....	6·0
1906.....	56.....	5·5
1907.....	55.....	5·4
1908...	68.....	6·6

BIRTH RATE.—There were 230 births registered in the district during the year, giving a rate of 22·5 per 1,000 for the whole area.

In the Stradbroke sub-district 110 births were registered—57 males and 53 females (6 illegitimate)—giving a rate of 21·1.

In the Dennington sub-district there were 120 births—58 males and 62 females (4 illegitimate)—giving a rate of 23·9 per 1,000.

The mean birth rate for the district for the last decade is 24·9 per 1,000.

Table showing birth rates since 1899 :—

Year.	Rate per 1,000.	Births Registered.
1899	25·1	288
1900	24·6	282
1901	24·2	248
1902	24·2	248
1903	24·5	251
1904	27·9	286
1905	24·3	249
1906	26·9	275
1907	25·1	257
1908	22·5	230

DEATH RATE.—The total deaths belonging to the whole district numbered 163 ; of these 46 males and 38 females belong to the Stradbroke sub-district, and 50 males and 29 females to the Dennington sub-district. Included in these returns are 11 deaths occurring in the Eye Union workhouse, and three deaths in the County Asylum.

The death rate for the year as compared with 1907 is given in the following table :—

	1907	1908	
Stradbroke Sub-district ...	15·0	..... 16·1	per 1,000
Dennington Sub-district	14·1	..... 15·7	„
Whole District.....	14·5	..... 16·0	„

The death rate for the whole district is therefore 1·6 per 1,000 higher than the mean rate for the last decade. This higher death rate is due to an exceptionally large number of deaths in the age periods 0 to 5 years and in persons over 65 years of age, the deaths in the intervening age periods being exceptionally low.

The Infant Mortality Rate.—This rate is calculated from the number of deaths in infants under one year of age, and is per 1,000 registered births.

	1907.	1908.
Stradbroke Sub-district	32·0	..... 172·7
Dennington Sub-district	106·0	..... 141·7
Whole District.....	70·0	..... 156·5

Table showing infant mortality rate for whole district since 1900.

Year,	Rate per 1,000 births registered.
1900	99·1
1901	88·7
1902,	112·9
1903	87·6
1904	118·5
1905	136·5
1906	76·3
1907	70·0
1908	156·5

The infant mortality rate is above the mean for the last 10 years by 51·2; the rate for last year being below the average by 30·0.

This unfortunately high infantile death rate is due to whooping cough and respiratory diseases which were probably connected with the epidemic of this disease.

There were 36 deaths registered during the year in children under 1 year.

Premature birth was responsible for 8 of these deaths, whooping cough for 10, other respiratory disorders for 7, enteritis for 2, and all other causes for 9 deaths.

TABLE SHOWING MORTALITY FROM ALL CAUSES AT DIFFERENT AGE PERIODS.

Age.	1907.				1908.			
	Stradbroke		Dennington		Stradbroke		Dennington	
	Sub-district.		Sub-district.		Sub-district.		Sub-district.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 1 year	...	4	0	...	6	8	...	18
1 year and under 5 years	...	2	3	...	2	0	...	7
5 years and under 15 years	1	1	...	1	1	...	1	3
15 years and under 25 years	3	1	...	1	1	...	0	3
25 years and under 65 years	10	15	...	8	8	...	41	9
65 years and upwards	...	17	21	...	18	17	...	73
	37	41	36	35	149	46	38	50
								29
								163

Table showing death rates for the whole district since 1899.

Year.	Rate per 1,000.	No. of Deaths registered.
1899	15·6	179
1900	15·8	182
1901	14·6	150
1902	15·5	159
1903	12·0	123
1904	16·0	163
1905	13·9	142
1906	13·8	141
1907	14·5	149
1908	16·0	163

The following tables will show the Parish Mortality rates, including Deaths of Residents registered without the district.

STRADBROKE SUB-DISTRICT.

Parish.	Population.	1907.		1908.		Mean rate per 1000 for 10 years.
		No. of Deaths.	Rate per 1,000.	No. of Deaths.	Rate per 1,000.	
Metfield	437 ...	5 ...	11·2 ...	6 ...	13·7 ...	15·0
Denham	192 ...	3 ...	15·6 ...	7 ...	36·4 ...	16·8
Weybread ...	571 ...	5 ...	8·7 ...	10 ...	17·5 ...	11·6
Mendham ...	531 ...	5 ...	9·4 ...	7 ...	13·2 ...	16·1
Fressingfield	1,005 ...	23 ...	22·9 ...	8 ...	7·9 ...	13·4
Wingfield ...	387 ...	8 ...	20·4 ...	7 ...	18·0 ...	15·0
Hoxne	838 ...	10 ...	11·9 ...	17 ...	20·3 ...	18·1
Stradbroke...	1,016 ...	17 ...	16·7 ...	21 ...	20·6 ...	16·6
Syleham ...	241 ...	2 ...	8·2 ...	1 ...	4·2 ...	9·1

DENNINGTON SUB-DISTRICT.

Parish.	Population.	1907.		1908.		Mean rate per 1000 for 10 years.
		No. of Deaths.	Rate per 1,000.	No. of Deaths.	Rate per 1,000.	
Horham.....	287	6	20·8	4	14	17
Southolt.....	126	1	7·9	0	0	10·6
Badingham..	558	6	10·8	11	19·7	13·5
Dennington..	652	10	15·3	5	7·6	15·3
Worlingworth	552	8	14·5	10	18·1	17·5
Wilby	331	3	9·0	8	24·1	15·7
Laxfield.....	827	15	18·0	18	21·7	14·1
Athelington..	87	2	22·1	0	·0	12·8
Saxtead.....	276	6	22·2	2	7·4	15·2
Bedingfield..	297	3	10·1	5	16·8	14·2
Brundish ...	326	3	9·2	4	12·2	9·8
Monk Soham	244	5	20·5	3	12·3	16·0
Bedfield.....	317	1	3·1	5	15·5	13·0
Tannington..	146	2	13·7	4	27·4	19·0

Three inquests were held in the Stradbroke sub-district, on one male and two females; and three in the Dennington sub-district, all on males; six inquests for the whole district, compared with eight last year. There were two uncertified deaths, both in Dennington.

For the mortality returns from different diseases I would refer you to Table IV. in the appendix.

Through the kindness of Dr. Tate, I am able to append a table of rainfall for the year registered by him at Stradbroke.

Month.	No. of Wet Days.	Depth in inches.
January	4	·85
February	12	2·14
March	15	2·10
April	9	3·18
May	8	1·36
June	4	·55
July	10	2·69
August	11	2·22
September	9	1·56
October	7	2·91
November	8	1·51
December	8	1·05
Total		22·12

In conclusion, I beg to thank you, gentlemen, for your support in helping me to carry out my duties, and my fellow officers for their kind help, always readily rendered.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

F. C. JAMES, M.B., D.P.H., etc.,

Medical Officer of Health.

TABLES

Appended to the Annual Report of the Medical Officer
of Health for the year 1908.

VITAL STATISTICS OF WHOLE DISTRICT DURING 1908 AND PREVIOUS YEARS.

YEAR.	Population estimated to Middle of each Year.	BIRTHS.		TOTAL DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE DISTRICT.			Deaths of Non-Residents registered in Public Institutions in the District.		Deaths of Residents registered in Public Institutions beyond the District.		NET DEATHS AT ALL AGES BELONGING TO THE DISTRICT.	
		Number.		Under 1 Year of Age.		At all Ages.		Rate per 1,000 Births registered	Number.	Rate.*	Number.	Rate.*
		3	4	5	6	7	8					
1	2										12	13
1898.	11461	299	26.0	22	73.5	—	—	—	—	—	145	12.6
1899.	11461	288	25.1	31	107.6	164	14.3	—	15	15	179	15.6
1900.	11461	282	24.6	28	99.1	169	14.7	—	13	13	182	15.8
1901.	10220	248	24.2	22	88.7	137	13.4	—	13	13	150	14.6
1902.	10220	248	24.2	28	112.9	147	14.3	—	12	12	159	15.5
1903.	10220	251	24.5	22	87.6	116	11.3	—	7	7	123	12.0
1904.	10220	286	27.9	34	118.8	155	15.1	—	8	8	163	16.0
1905.	10220	249	24.3	34	136.5	129	12.6	—	13	13	142	13.9
1906.	10220	275	26.9	21	76.3	128	12.5	—	13	13	141	13.8
1907.	10220	257	25.14	18	70.0	135	13.2	—	14	14	149	14.5
Averages for years 1898-1907	10700	276	25.4	26.1	96	145	13.5	—	—	12	152	15
1908.	10220	230	22.5	36	156.5	149	14.5	—	—	14	163	16

* Rates in Columns 4, 8, and 13 calculated per 1,000 of estimated population.

NOTE.—The deaths to be included in Column 7 of this table are the whole of those registered during the year as having actually occurred within the district or division. The deaths to be included in Column 12 are the number in Column 7, corrected by the subtraction of the number in Column 10 and the addition of the number in Column 11.

By the term "Non-residents" is meant persons brought into the district on account of sickness or infirmity, and dying in public institutions there; and by the term "Residents" is meant persons who have been taken out of the district on account of sickness or infirmity, and have died in public institutions elsewhere.

The "Public Institutions" to be taken into account for the purposes of these Tables are those into which persons are habitually received on account of sickness or infirmity, such as hospitals, workhouses and lunatic asylums. A list of the Institutions in respect of the deaths in which corrections have been made should be given on the back of this Table.

Area of District in acres (exclusive of area covered by water), 52,764. Total population at all ages, 10,220. } At Census of 1901.
Number of inhabited houses, 2,418. }
Average number of persons per house, 4.2. }

I.	II.	III.
Institutions within the District receiving sick and infirm persons from outside the District.	Institutions outside the District receiving sick and infirm persons from the District.	Other Institutions, the deaths in which have been distributed among the several localities in the District.
Nil.	<p>Eye Union Workhouse.</p> <p>County Asylum.</p>	
<p>Is the Union Workhouse within the District? <u> </u> No. <u> </u></p>		

TABLE II.

VITAL STATISTICS OF SEPARATE LOCALITIES IN 1908 AND PREVIOUS YEARS.

HOXNE RURAL DISTRICT.

NAMES OF LOCALITIES.	1. WHOLE DISTRICT.				2. STRADBROKE SUB-DISTRICT.				3. DENNINGTON SUB-DISTRICT.				4.				5.				6.				7.				
	Population estimated to middle of each Year.	Births registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.	Population estimated to middle of each Year.	Births registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.	Population estimated to middle of each year.	Births registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.	Population estimated to middle of each year.	Births registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.	Population estimated to middle of each year.	Births registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.	Population estimated to middle of each year.	Births registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.	Population estimated to middle of each year.	Births registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.	
1898	11461	299	145	22	5813	—	—	—	5648	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1899	11461	288	179	31	5813	155	93	20	5648	133	71	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1900	11461	282	182	28	5813	149	104	12	5648	133	78	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1901	10220	248	150	22	5200	120	76	15	5020	128	74	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1902	10220	248	159	28	5200	115	78	11	5020	133	81	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1903	10220	251	123	22	5200	136	69	13	5020	116	54	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1904	10220	286	163	34	5200	135	76	16	5020	151	87	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1905	10220	249	142	34	5200	130	66	24	5020	119	76	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1906	10220	275	141	21	5200	135	79	10	5020	140	62	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1907	10220	257	149	18	5200	125	78	4	5020	132	71	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Averages of Years 1898 to 1907	10700	276	152	26.1	5384	—	—	—	5208	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1908	10220	230	163	36	5200	110	84	19	5020	120	79	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

NOTES.—(a) The separate localities adopted for this table should be areas of which the populations are obtainable from the census returns, such as wards, parishes or groups of parishes, or registration sub-districts. Block 1 may, if desired, be used for the whole district; and blocks 2, 3, &c., for the several localities. In small districts without recognised divisions of known population this Table need not be filled up.

(b) Deaths of residents occurring in public institutions beyond the district are to be included in sub-columns c of this Table, and those of non-residents registered in public institutions in the district excluded. (See note on Table I. as to meaning of terms "resident" and "non-resident.")

(c) Deaths of residents occurring in public institutions, whether within or without the district, are to be allotted to the respective localities according to the addresses of the deceased.

(d) Care should be taken that the gross totals of the several columns in this Table respectively equal the corresponding totals for the whole districts in Tables I. and IV.; thus, the totals of sub-columns a, b, and c should agree with the figures for the year in the columns 2, 3, and 12 respectively of Table I.; the gross total of the sub-columns c should agree with the total of column 2 in Table IV., and the gross total of sub-columns a with the total of column 3 in Table IV.

TABLE III.

HOXNE RURAL DISTRICT.

Cases of Infectious Disease notified during the Year 1908.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE.	CASES NOTIFIED IN WHOLE DISTRICT.						TOTAL CASES NOTIFIED IN EACH LOCALITY.								†No. OF CASES REMOVED TO HOSPITAL FROM EACH LOCALITY.							
	At all Ages.	At Ages†—Years.					1 Strad- brook District.	2 Dennin- ton Sub- District.	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 Total cases re- moved to Hospital.	
		Under 1.	1 to 5.	5 to 15.	15 to 25.	25 to 65.																65 and upwards.
Small-pox ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cholera ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diphtheria (including Membranous croup) ..	3	1	1	1	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Erysipelas ..	4	—	—	1	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Scarlet fever ..	3	—	1	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Typhus fever ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Enteric fever ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Relapsing fever ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Continued fever ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Puerperal fever ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Plague ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals ..	10	—	2	3	2	—	5	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

NOTES.—The localities adopted for this table should be the same as those in Tables II. and IV.

State in space below the name of the isolation hospital, if any, to which residents in the district, suffering from infectious disease, are usually sent. Mark (H) the locality in which it is situated, or if not within the district, state where it is situated, and in what district. The name of the Authority by whom the hospital is provided should also be given. Mark (W) the locality in which a workhouse is situated.

* This space may be used for record of other diseases the notification (compulsory or voluntary) of which is in force in the district.

† These age columns for notifications should be filled up in all cases where the Medical Officer of Health, by inquiry or otherwise, has obtained the necessary information.

‡ Column 8 should be filled up with the Totals of cases removed to Hospital, whether the District is divided into separate localities or consists of only one undivided area.

Isolation Hospital at Stradbroke. Total available beds, 4. Number of Diseases that can be concurrently treated, 2.

TABLE IV.

HOXNE RURAL DISTRICT.

Causes of, and Ages at, Death during Year 1908.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Deaths at the subjoined ages of "Residents" whether occurring in or beyond the District.										Deaths at all ages of "Residents" belonging to Localities, whether occurring in or beyond the District.					Total Deaths in Public Institutions in the District.
	All Ages.	Under 15.		15 and under 25.		25 and under 65.		9	10	11	12	13	14	15		
		1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.								7.		8.
1	2	3														
Small Pox ..	1								1							
Measles ..																
Scarlet fever ..	14	10	4						8		6					
Whooping-cough ..																
Diphtheria (including Membranous croup)	1			1					1							
Group ..																
Typhus ..																
Enteric ..																
Fever ..																
Other continued ..																
Epidemic influenza ..	4								3		1					
Cholera ..																
Plague ..																
Diarrhoea ..	1															
Enteritis ..	2	2							1		1					
Puerperal fever ..																
Erysipelas ..																
Phthisis (Pulmonary Tuberculosis)	11	1		2	4	4			6		5					
Other tuberculous diseases	5	1	1		1	2			2		3					
Cancer, malignant disease ..	6	1							4		2					
Bronchitis ..	12	4	2						5		7					
Pneumonia ..	5	1	1						2		3					
Pleurisy ..																
Other diseases of Respiratory organs	1	1									1					
Alcoholism ..																
Cirrhosis of liver ..	1										1					
Veneral diseases ..																
Premature birth ..	8	8							4		4					
Diseases and accidents of parturition																
Heart diseases ..	18															
Accidents ..	5		1						8		10					
Suicides ..	1								2		3					
Convulsions ..	1	1							1		1					
Cerebral hemorrhage ..	12								6		6					
Senile decay ..	28								17		11					
Kidney ..	3								1		2					
All other causes ..	23	6		1		4			12		11					
All causes ..	163	36	10	4	5	27	81		84		79					

NOTES TO TABLES IV. AND V.

- (a) In this Table all deaths of "Residents" occurring in public institutions, whether within or without the district, are to be included with the other deaths in the columns for the several age groups (columns 2-8). They are also, in columns 9-15, to be included among the deaths in their respective "Localities" according to the previous addresses of the deceased as given by the Registrar. Deaths of "Non-residents" occurring in public institutions in the district are in like manner to be excluded from columns 2-8 and 9-15 of this Table.
- (b) See note on Table I. as to the meaning of "Residents" and "Non-residents" and as to the "Public Institutions" to be taken into account for the purposes of these Tables. The "Localities" in this Table should be the same as those in Tables II. and III.
- (c) All deaths occurring in public institutions situated within the district, whether of "Residents" or of "Non-residents," are, in addition to be dealt with as in note (a), to be entered in the last column of this Table. The total number in this column should equal the figures for the year in column 9, Table I.
- (d) The total deaths in the several "Localities" in columns 9-15 of this Table should equal those for the year in the same localities in Table II. sub-column 1.

TABLE V. HOXNE RURAL DISTRICT.

INFANTILE MORTALITY DURING THE YEAR 1908.

Deaths from stated Causes in Weeks and Months under One Year of Age.

(See Notes at foot of Table IV.)

CAUSE OF DEATH.		Under 1 week	1-2 weeks.	2-3 weeks.	3-4 weeks.	Total under 1 month.	1-2 months.	2-3 months.	3-4 months.	4-5 months.	5-6 months.	6-7 months.	7-8 months.	8-9 months.	9-10 months.	10-11 months.	11-12 months.	Total Deaths under 1 year.
All Causes	Certified	7	3	2	...	12	7	5	4	...	2	2	1	...	1	1	1	36
	Uncertified	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Common Infectious Diseases.	Small-pox	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Chicken-pox	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Measles	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Scarlet Fever	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Diphtheria (including Membranous Croup)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Whooping Cough	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	1	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	1	10
	Diarrhoea, all forms	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Enteritis, Mucos-enteritis, Gastro-enteritis	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
	Gastritis, Gastro-intestinal Catarrh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
	Premature Birth	3	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Wasting Diseases.	Congenital Defects	...	1	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Injury at Birth	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Want of Breast-milk.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Starvation	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Atrophy, Debility, Marasmus	1	2	...	...	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Tuberculous Diseases.	Tuberculous Meningitis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Tuberculous Peritonitis, Tubes Mesenterica	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Other Tuberculous Diseases	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
	Erysipelas	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Causes.	Syphilis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
	Rickets	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Meningitis (not Tuberculous)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Convulsions	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
	Bronchitis	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4
	Laryngitis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Pneumonia	1	1	...	2
	Suffocation, overlying
	Other causes	1	1	2
		7	3	2	...	12	7	5	4	...	2	2	1	...	1	1	1	36

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TABLE VI. FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS, LAUNDRIES, WORKPLACES & HOMEWORK, 1908.

1.—INSPECTION.
Including Inspections made by Sanitary Inspector.

Premises.	Number of		
	Inspections.	Written Notices.	Prosecutions.
Factories (including Factory Laundries)	3	0	0
Workshops (including Workshop Laundries)	0	0	0
Workplaces (other than Outworkers' premises included in Part 3 of this report	12	0	0
Total	15	0	0

2.—DEFECTS FOUND—None.

3.—HOME WORK.

Wearing Apparel—			
(1) Making, &c.	..	..	11 Workwomen
(2) Cleaning and Washing	..	..	0

4.—REGISTERED WORKSHOPS—None.

5.—OTHER MATTERS—None.

